

Zion National Park

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Zion National Park is the most relaxing and exciting park because of all of its features. It has everything that you would be looking for in a park. Zion has some of the narrowest canyon walls out of all of the national parks in the United States. Also it has many interesting animals, plus some of them unique to the park.

With its wide variety of mountains, canyons and rivers, Zion is a perfect place for almost any kind of animal! Some of the animals that live there are horses or mustangs, mule deer, 291 kinds of birds, 8 kinds of fish, 78 kinds of mammals and 44 kinds of reptiles and amphibians! That's a lot of animals. Speaking of living things, this park also has 900 different kinds of plants. The cacti, such as the *Purple Torch* are bright and pure! All these animals and plants are living in a wonderland of nature.

This wonderland has plateaus, mountains and arches. Plateaus in the park are flat as a piece of paper. Also, the magnificent mountains sky rocket toward the clouds. These mountains form steep, tight canyons such as Refrigerator Canyon. In this Canyon it is cool like a refrigerator. It's not hard to believe with these mountains and canyons that the parks elevations range is 3,666 to 8,726 feet. This park is 229 square miles and is very beautiful.

With all that space the park provides year round activities like in the summer they have a Zion Junior Ranger Explorer and Discovery program for kids ages 6-12. There is also horseback riding, rock climbing and hiking. All of the activities provide more and more visitors for the park each year. This particular park has so much nature and is free to any one who wishes to explore the outdoors and the wild life. One of the other places to explore in

Zion National Park is the Narrows. Part of the hiking journey in the Narrows is following the Virgin River which splits tightly between the canyon walls. Anyways, sometimes there is a flash flood which is life threatening. In the process of the flash flood there is a crest of water that contains rocks, sticks, bugs and mud. Some of the time you can grab on to a life saving ledge, but other time people might end up being rushed uncontrollably away by the river. Just watch out if you visit there any time soon.

Visitors should ready to discover and learn to take up all the sun, views and beautiful landscape! Zion is the most relaxing and exciting park for that reason.